

In Re Application of:

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SELF-ADHERING SURFACE

COVERING AND METHOD OF MAKING)

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Box RCE

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant is submitting this Preliminary Amendment wherein the non-adhesive particles are non-hollow, and Applicant is resubmitting the Declaration by the inventor for reconsideration.

Please cancel claim/26 and add new claim 55.

Please substitute the following amended claim 18 for claim 18 originally filed in the above-identified application. A copy of the claim showing the amendments made thereto, including additions being shown with underlining and deletions being shown in brackets, is attached as an Appendix herewith.